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American Zionist Emergency Council, resolution of Executive Committee re: need to reorganize AZEC and Jewish Agency for Palestine, undated. Also August 16, 1946 quotations by United States President re: Palestine and displaced Jews, 1946 undated.

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August 16, 1946  
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"Although the President has been exchanging views with Mr. Attlee on the subject, this Government has not prepared any plan of its own for the solution of the problem of Palestine. It is the sincere hope of the President, however, as a result of the proposed conversations between the British Government and Jewish and Arab representatives that a fair solution of the problem of Palestine can be found and immediate steps can be taken to alleviate the situation of ~~the~~ displaced Jews in Europe.

"It is clear that no settlement of the Palestine problem can be achieved which will be fully satisfactory to all parties concerned. If this problem is to be solved in a manner which will bring peace and prosperity to Palestine, it must be approached in a spirit of conciliation.

"It is also evident that the solution of the Palestine question will not in itself solve the broader problem of the hundreds of thousands of Displaced Persons in Europe. The President has been giving this problem his special attention and hopes that arrangements can be entered into which will make it possible for various countries, including the United States, to admit many of these persons as permanent residents. The President on his part is contemplating seeking the approval of Congress for special legislation authorising ~~XX~~ the entry into the United States of a fixed number of these persons including Jews."

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# RESOLUTION

The unfortunate incidents attendant upon recent negotiations conducted in Washington, as reported to this Executive Committee, render more urgent than ever an immediate reorganization to eliminate once and for all duplication and divergence of effort between the American Zionist Emergency Council and representatives of the Jewish Agency for Palestine.

We therefore not only associate ourselves completely with the demand expressed by the Executive Committee of the Emergency Council for thoroughgoing consolidation and unification in the sphere of political action in this country, but we declare that such a reorganization must be carried out without further delay to avoid further embarrassment and jeopardy to the Zionist cause. Failing such a reorganization which will ensure unified and centralized direction of political action on the American scene, the Zionist Organization of America will have no choice but to relieve itself of any further responsibility for the existing danger<sup>ous</sup> and indefensible situation by withdrawing from the American Zionist Emergency Council.

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